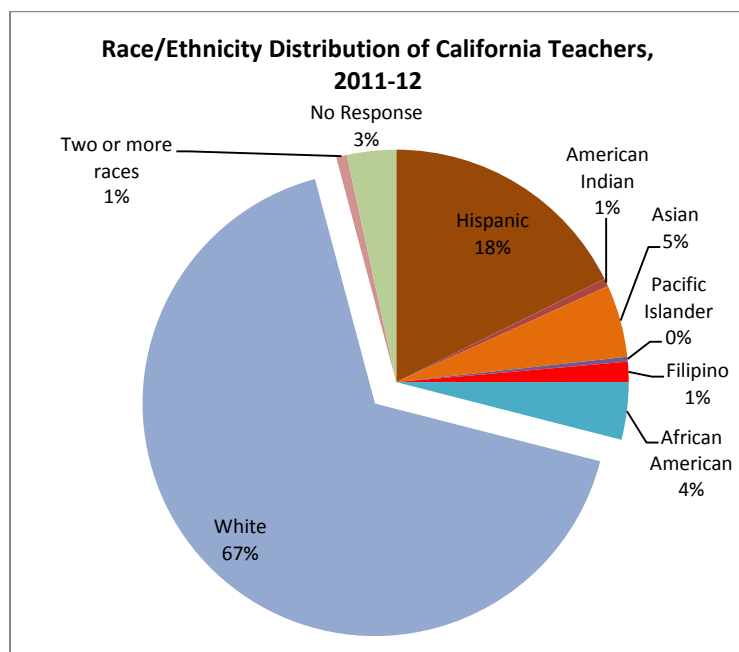




California Teacher Candidates Are More Diverse than the Current Teacher Workforce

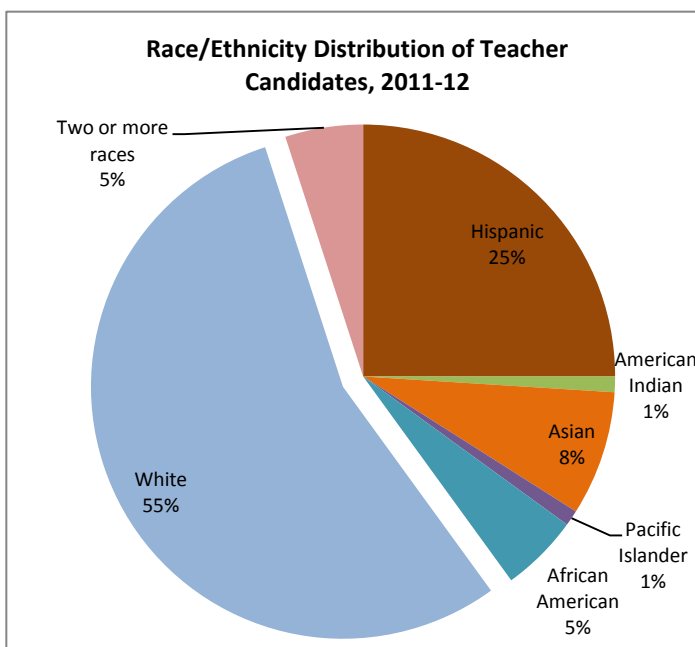
In 2011-12, more than 283,000 teachers taught in California's public schools. In the same academic year, more than 26,000 individuals were enrolled* in teacher preparation programs. (*Note: the teacher preparation programs vary in length from 1-year to 3-years). The racial and ethnic distribution of California teachers differs significantly from the teacher candidates who were enrolled in the preparation programs in the academic year 2011-12.



Source: California Department of Education, 2011-12

The racial or ethnic distribution of the California's public school teacher workforce indicates that nearly two-thirds (67 percent) identified themselves as White or Caucasian; 18 percent Hispanic, 5 percent Asian, 1 percent Filipino, 4 percent African American and less than one percent American Indian. About 1 percent identified as belonging to more than one race.

The racial and ethnic distribution of teacher candidates indicates that more than half (55 percent) identified themselves as White or Caucasian. In other words, nearly half (45 percent) identified themselves as non-White. Hispanic/Latino of any race accounted for one-fourth (25 percent), Asians accounted for 8 percent, Black or African American 5 percent, another 1 percent American Indian or Alaska Native. Individuals can belong to one or more racial groups and they are reported under two or more races and this category accounted for the remaining 5 percent of the enrollment.



Source: Title II Annual Institutional and Program Report Card, 2011-12; California Commission on Teacher Credentialing